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MAN SHOT DOWN IN THE CITY. JUBILEE STREET SENSATION.

BADLY WOUNDED: TWO BULLETS.

ATTACKER FREE.

A sensational street shooting incident, which, for sheer boldness, has only been rivalled in recent years by the murder of Mr. Lee Hysan, occurred at 11:30 a.m. this morning at the junction of Connaught Road Central and Jubilee Street, by the side of the Fire Station building.

A young Chinese, well-dressed and apparently educated, was fired at when walking along Connaught Road Central, one of the most crowded thoroughfares in the central district.

The feature of this amazing affair, however, was that his assailant was able to escape without anybody in the vicinity being able to give a satisfactory description to the Police, who were on the scene within a few minutes.

Seriously Wounded.

Details are scanty at present, but it would appear from inquiries made in Jubilee Street, that two shots were fired. This was borne out by the injuries to the victim, who was struck by two bullets in the lower ribs.

He was still alive but in a serious condition on the arrival of Police officers, and was immediately sent to the Government Civil Hospital.

It is understood that, he was unable to speak English or was in a too serious condition to speak coherently when questioned by the Police with the result that no light has been thrown on the incident beyond the belief that it has some connexion with the Communist movement in Hongkong.

Emergency Squad Out.

The Emergency Squad attached to Headquarters was on the scene ten minutes from the actual time of the shooting, but other Police officers were already there. First aid as far as practicable was applied to the injured man, who was, as stated, taken to hospital in an ambulance.

Mr. T. Murphy, A.S.P., was among those seen engaged on the case by a *Telegraph* reporter.

Jubilee Street was surrounded by a huge crowd, which had to be kept back by a large squad of Police.

On the roadside close to the pavement on the Fire Station side was a pool of blood, which was pointed out as the spot on which the victim fell after being struck by the bullets.

Police Officer's Story.

One Police officer said he was in the Fire Station building at the time of the occurrence. He heard two reports but did not give them a thought as he supposed they were crackers being let off. On hearing a commotion in the street, he leaned out of the window and saw a man lying on the ground.

He rushed downstairs and saw at once that the man had been shot and sent for the ambulance. He sent the injured man to hospital after making him as comfortable as possible.

Assassin's Escape.

Police officers were soon busy making inquiries from shops in the vicinity, and as far as could be gathered, the assailant made his escape through Jubilee Street in the direction of Des Voeux Road. He was said to have been hiding behind a pillar of the Fire Station building, waiting for the approach of the injured man, but a clear description of him could not be obtained.

Some light may be thrown on the affair by the injured man himself when he has recovered sufficiently to be interviewed. Mean-

'QUAKES IN BALKANS.

HEAVY LOSS OF LIFE FEARED.

PEOPLE IN PANIC.

Belgrade, Mar. 8. Severe earthquake shocks have caused extensive damage in Jugoslavia, and numerous casualties have occurred in the collapse of buildings. The shocks, of more or less severe intensity, have been going on for forty-eight hours and the inhabitants of the affected area are panic-stricken.

Reports of earthquakes in Bulgaria also are to hand, but the damage there has been minor, a message from Sofia stating that two persons were killed and two others were injured as the result of a quake this morning affecting a village near the Greek frontier. This is the total casualty list for Bulgaria, but the official figures for Jugoslavia are to-day estimated at 24 killed and 70 injured. It is feared that this death-roll will be increased.

Telephonic communication with many places has been interrupted and it is believed that the total of the victims will be much higher.

The King and the Prime Minister have gone to the stricken area to assist in relief work, which the military authorities are organising very rapidly.

The population is in a state of panic, and has been encamped in the fields.—*Reuter*.

FRENCH "RUGGER" PROBLEMS.

FEDERATION TO SEEK REMEDY.

Paris, Mar. 8. The French Rugby Federation to-day passed a resolution unanimously declaring that "in view of the extremely grave situation which a definite rupture of international relations would create for French rugby, all proper measure should be taken to assure the continuance of relations with the British Federation and to re-establish the unity of French rugby."

This resolution is the sequel to the decision of the four British Federations to ban international matches with France and French clubs until the brutal methods of play etc. have been improved.

A committee has been appointed to examine the best means of attaining the desired result in France, and for proposing the necessary reforms.—*Reuter*.

PAUL WHITEMAN DIVORCED.

WIFE AWARDED ALIMONY AND INSURANCE.

New York, Mar. 8. Mr. Paul Whiteman, the "Jazz King," has been divorced by his wife on the ground of desertion.

His wife, who was formerly the well-known singer Vanda Hoff, will receive \$500 a week and insurance policies totalling \$80,000. Whiteman is to have the custody of their seven-year-old son for three months each year.

CANADIAN MINISTER TO WASHINGTON.

MAJOR W. D. HERRIDGE APPOINTED.

Ottawa, Mar. 8. Major W. D. Herridge, D.S.O., M.C., has been appointed Canadian Minister Plenipotentiary at Washington, in succession to the Hon. Mr. C. Vincent Massey.—*Reuter's American Service*.

While the Police are making all inquiries possible.

Victim a Detective.

Later. It is learned that the victim is a detective from Carlton who had come down here in connexion with anti-Communist activities. He was carrying a pair of handcuffs when he was shot, but it has not been ascertained if he had any arms on him.

Some light may be thrown on the affair by the injured man himself when he has recovered sufficiently to be interviewed. Mean-

AUSTRALIAN SENT TO PRISON.

THREE LOCAL SHOPS VICTIMISED.

FLED TO MANILA BUT BROUGHT BACK.

DELIBERATE FRAUD.

"It was purely and simply a silly whim, executed under the influence of considerable drink, to get my own back on Mr. Whitta," said Terrence Joseph Woods, 24, of Sydney, Australia, in answer to three charges of obtaining money and goods by means of false pretences, before Mr. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy this morning.

The charges against the accused were that on February 27 he obtained from the Tung Lee, money-changer, a sum of £60 for which he gave in exchange \$200 and a cheque for \$831 which was not valid; that on the same day he obtained from the Tai Sun Jeweller's shop for which he gave a cheque for \$150 which was not valid; and that on the following day he obtained some articles of clothing from the Tajmahal Silk Store and tendered another cheque which was found to be not valid as he had no account in the bank.

Lady Diana Duff-Cooper, a celebrated beauty, is helping her husband by persuasive canvassing

BITTER FIGHT AT ST. GEORGES.

MR. BALDWIN SLATES HIS OPPONENTS.

PERSUASIVE BEAUTY.

London, Mar. 8. "Insolent and irresponsible plutocracy trying to dictate to a great party, their leadership and party,"

This is Mr. Stanley Baldwin's description of the Independent Conservative candidate at St. Georges' Westminster, Sir Ernest Petter and his supporters, who include Lord Rothermere and Lord Beaverbrook.

The bye-election promises to be one of the most interesting since the General Election, as it means a straight fight between two rival sections of the Conservative, and Sir Ernest Petter, who is asking the electors to return him to Parliament in order to give Mr. Baldwin notice to quit the leadership.

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STABILISATION OF SILVER VERY UNLIKELY.

ANALYSIS OF THE POSITION.

UNCERTAINTY OF THE FUTURE.

LONDON OPINION.

An opinion against the likelihood of the stabilisation of silver by international agreement is expressed in the annual bullion letter published by Messrs. Samuel Montagu and Co., the well-known London bullion merchants.

On the future outlook, it is pointed out that even in times of undisturbed political conditions it has been a matter of difficulty to attempt a forecast of the trend of silver, and to do so at the present time presents even more difficulties.

The situation in China has become more hopeful and it is to be desired that that country may now be able to enjoy freedom from internal disturbances, thus giving the Chinese Government an opportunity of devoting their energies to the re-establishment of trade, for a revival of China's export trade would do much to restore confidence in the future of silver.

Too Much Silver.

The affairs of India, the other great silver consuming country of the East, are engaging the utmost efforts of statesmanship in order that a settlement of her difficulties may be found. The satisfactory solution of the problem is of the utmost necessity if her trade is not to be hampered in a struggle already rendered difficult by world-wide depression. If it be admitted that the low level to which prices have fallen is due to the present existence of too much silver in the world, then any improvement must come from an increased demand, and the likelihood of the latter the future of the market depends. It has been suggested that a conference of interested parties might be able to find some palliative, but it is unlikely that artificial means would be successful in view of the diverse interests of those most concerned.

Arts and Crafts.

Naturally the low value of silver gives rise to consideration as to whether greater use of the metal could not be made for the manufacture of articles of utility at prices more commensurate with the intrinsic value of the silver content. This possibility is worthy of examination: it should not be beyond the powers of science to find some way to prevent or to minimise the tendency to tarnish, which is considered one of the great drawbacks of silver as a medium for the application of the arts and crafts. The discovery of stain-

less steel has proved of inestimable value; is it not possible therefore that discovery of a means for the treatment of silver would be equally or even more valuable?

The question of the future of silver, however, is still one of

supply and demand, and whilst the former is perhaps assured, it is the probable extent of the latter that renders the outlook as uncertain.

The Year's Production.

Imports of silver into India in 1930 amounted to about 85,000,000

ounces, and into China, about 155,000,000.

The production for the year is estimated at 224,000,000, which

compares with 252,000,000 in 1929

and 257,000,000 in 1928. It is the

lowest since 1924. The American

reduction is estimated at 10,000,000

ounces, Mexican, 3,000,000 ounces,

and 3 million elsewhere. Canadian production increased about 3,000,000 ounces.

The report shows, however, that

supplies have been substantially

augmented from demonetized coins,

Indian Government silver being an

important factor in this direction.

It is probable that the amount pro-

vided by this source was 30,000,000

ounces.

More Rain and Fog.

The Royal Observatory reports

that the anticyclones has weakened

and is now central near Shanghai.

Moderate monsoon along the S.E.

coast of China, and over the North

China Sea. Local forecast: N.E.

winds moderate, fair, at first

some light rain and fog later.

CONGRESS SATISFIED.

NO SURRENDER BY ANYONE.

FEDERALISM AIM.

Bombay, Mar. 8.

Addressing a large public meeting at Bombay to-day, Mr. Vallabhbhai Patel, the President-Elect of the All-India Congress, which is to be held at Karachi at the end of March, referred at some length to the settlement agreed between Lord Irwin and the Mahatma Gandhi.

He said that Congress had suspended the civil disobedience movement because honourable terms were offered and because there was no surrender on the part of anyone.

Congress would see that all the safeguards and reservations were in the best interests of India and would send to the Round Table eminent men with a full knowledge of their implications.

He concluded by saying that Congress favoured the Federal constitution proposals, and emphasised the need for Congress to unite with the Princes.

New Delhi, Mar. 7.

Speaking on the debate on the Round Table Conference, the spokesman of the European Group in the Legislative Council said that the Viceroy and Gandhi had opened a new chapter of freedom and glory in the history of the British Empire. The Europeans intended to co-operate their utmost in ensuring the success of the new constitution, but wanted the assurance that they would have the same rights in India as had Indians who went to England.—*Reuter*.

In the circumstances related, it was somewhat extraordinary that only one man lost his life.

Panic seems to have reigned aboard from the moment the vessel struck. Immediately after the terrific crash, there was a frantic rush for the boats. The officers made every effort to prevent a panic, but the passengers and the remainder of the crew, all Chinese, seem to have fought for the boats, and in the scrimmage, a steward, fifty years of age, fell into the sea and was drowned. He was the only fatality.

Natural Reticence.

It is stated definitely that the accident occurred in a fight for the boats, though naturally there is reticence regarding the confusion aboard.

It now appears that stormy weather was raging when the mishap occurred. The Hsin Chang was on her way to Dalren from Swatow, and the ill-fated ship was wrecked upon Elliott Island, near the North Saddles.

Some of the crew were picked up by the Indo-China steamer Kwong Sang, but the remainder took refuge on Elliott Island and were marooned there for some hours.

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A BANK MEETING.

SATISFACTORY YEAR FOR
BANK OF CANTON.

The 20th yearly Ordinary General Meeting of the Bank of Canton, Ltd., was held at 12 o'clock noon on Saturday, the 7th March, 1931, at No. 6 Des Voeux Road, Central. In the Bank's Board Room, and there were present, Mr. Li Yuk-tong, Chairman of the Bank and Messrs. Look Poong-shan (Chief Manager), Li Tze-chung (Manager), M. Wong, Chan Fu-cheung, Ng Ju-tung, Ng Yeo-hon, Li Sing-kui, Tsang Ju-tung (Directors); Yuen Shin-kam, Chan Wal-tai, Lam Kau-nau, Quan Shee-john, Ng Fung-chau, Chan Sung-hon and many other shareholders.

After the notice convening the meeting was read, the Chairman said:

It is again my privilege to preside at this yearly meeting and also my pleasure to take this opportunity to offer you my hearty greetings of the season.

The report, and the statement of accounts for the year 1930 have been in your hands for the required period and with your permission I propose to take them as read. The profit for the year, including the sum of \$106,843.22 brought forward from the previous year, amounts to \$1,427,082.11, which I think you will agree with me is a very satisfactory result of the year's working.

Notwithstanding the general trade depression in this Colony and throughout the world, the Balance Sheet before you shows an increase in our resources by about \$8,500,000 over that of the previous year, but we hope to see better prospects of our Bank in future years when the time of general trade depression has passed away.

I wish to express to all members of our Bank's staff both here and abroad our thanks for, and appreciation of, the services which they rendered in bringing about the good result of the year's working.

As there is nothing further that requires any comment from me, I would ask one of you to propose the adoption of the report and accounts as presented. After this has been duly seconded, I will try my best to answer any question that you may want to ask.

The adoption of the report and accounts was proposed and seconded. No question was asked.

The adoption of the report and accounts was put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming were re-elected auditors for the ensuing year at an increased remuneration of \$2,800 per annum.

The Chairman informed the meeting that the Dividend Warrants would be ready in due course.

Immediately preceding the yearly Ordinary General Meeting, an Extraordinary General Meeting was held at the same place and the following resolution was passed unanimously:

That the Articles of Association be altered in manner following:

(a) By substituting in Article 94 for the figures "101" the figures "105."

(b) By substituting in Article 131 for the word "Five" the word "Nine" in the fourth line thereof.

(c) By substituting in Article 131 for the words "6% out of the annual net profits" in the 9th and 10th lines thereof the words "10% of the balance of the annual net profits after providing a sufficient amount for payment of a dividend at the rate of 6% on the paid-up capital of the Company for the time being."

MR. SNOWDEN ILL.

COMPLICATIONS AFTER
ATTACK OF INFLUENZA.

London, Mar. 7.—The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Philip Snowden, who has been ill with influenza for some time, has developed complications, and his doctors have called in Sir John Thomson-Walker, the Harley Street specialist.

A bulletin says that he is suffering from cystitis, a form of internal inflammation, following his recent influenza and will be confined to his room for some weeks. No anxiety need be felt.

It is doubtful if Mr. Snowden will be able to present the budget to the House of Commons in April.—Reuters.

SALESMAN SAM



COMPANY RESULT.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.
ANNUAL REPORT.

The report of the General Manager of A. S. Watson and Co., Ltd., for the year ended October 31, 1930, for presentation to the Shareholders at the forty-sixth annual ordinary general meeting of the Company to be held at the Hongkong Hotel, on Monday March 10, at 11.30 a.m., states:

Gentlemen.—We beg to lay before you a statement of the Company's business with the Balance Sheet for the year ended the 31st October, 1930.

The Net Profit of the Company for the year under review, after providing for all bad and doubtful debts, and allowing for depreciation of Armed Water and other Machinery and Plant, Furniture, Fittings, Trade Utensils, Laun- ches, Motor Trucks, etc., amounted to \$124,660.30.

To which has to be added the balance brought forward from last year \$4,925.30.

Leaving available for ap- propriation \$180,285.70.

We propose

To pay a dividend of 75 Cents per share which will absorb \$90,000.00.

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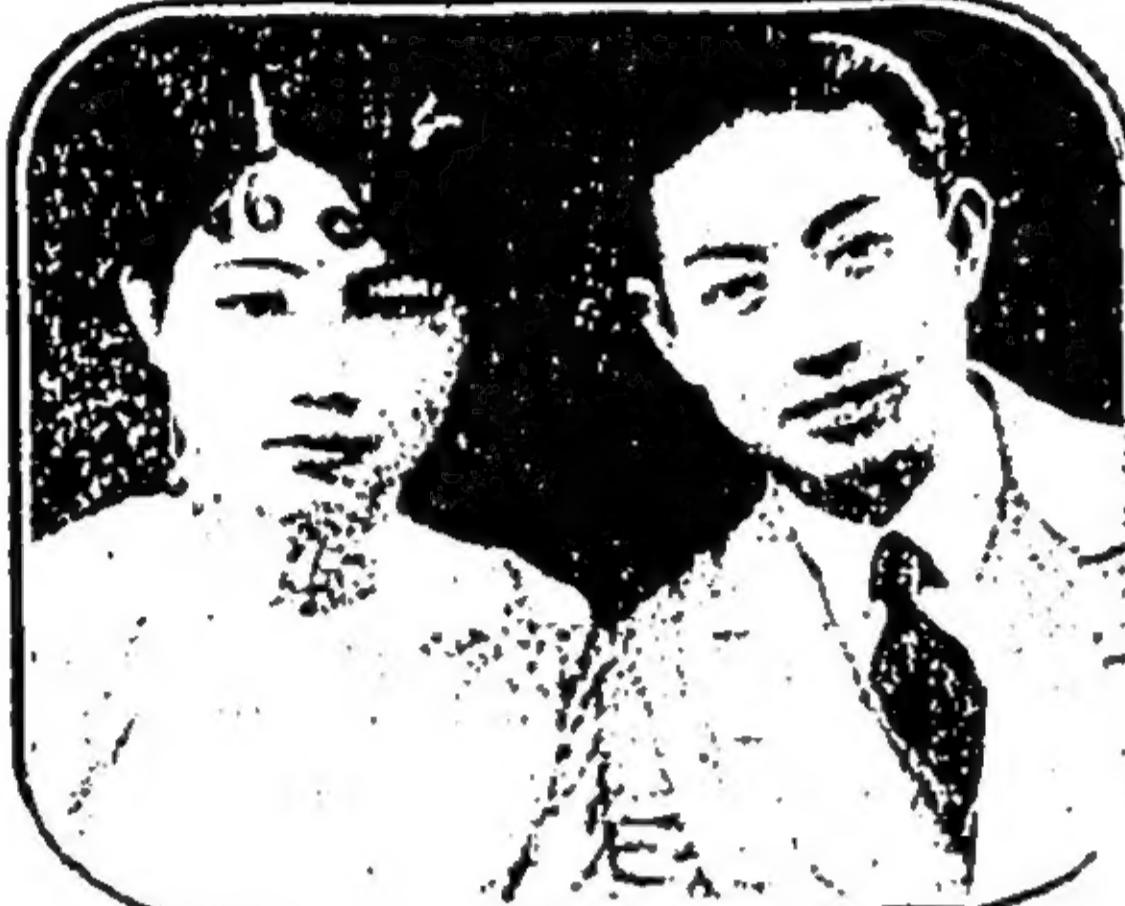
Some excellent snaps taken at a recent Shanghai rugger match. Some fine runs by the threes were seen, but play generally was scrappy.



Sir Meyrick and Lady Hewlett, who recently left on home leave. He is H. B. M. Consul-General in Nanking.



Major F. W. Gerrard, Commissioner of the Shanghai Police, who is on his way home.



Mr and Mrs. Malian Fang. His recent American tour is said to have cost his backers £88,000.



Mr. Cecil Sellers, who has just taken up a post with the China Airways Inc.



This unusual photograph shows a parachute jumper floating down after a leap from an aeroplane at high altitude.



Miss Betty Johnson, Queen of the Snow, at the Los Angeles winter carnival.



Governor Pluegot, recently re-elected for Pennsylvania, is shown above taking the oath of office in front of the State House at Harrisburg.



"The Snaky Crawl," a clever dance number from the Shanghai A. D. C. production "Shanghai Lights," which opened last week at the Lyceum.



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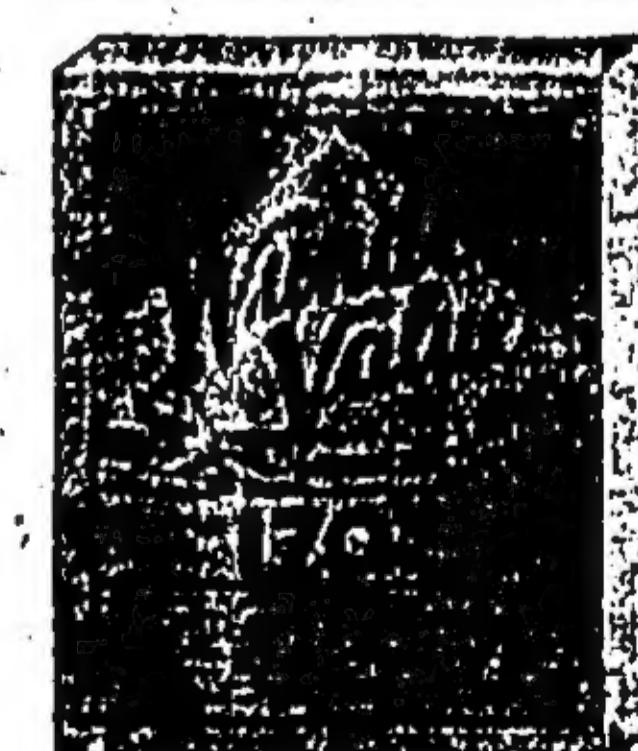
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Consignees per Company's Vessel, "TSUCER". From SEATTLE, VANCOUVER and VICTORIA via JAPAN, are requested to take delivery of Flour and Lumber shipments as soon as the vessel is ready to discharge and are hereby notified that if their lighters are not placed alongside the steamer as required, their shipments will be discharged into Holt's Wharf Kowloon, at their expense, where the cargo will lie also at their risk and expense and subject to the terms and conditions of storage at Holt's Wharf. Steamer will commence discharge on the 7th March, 1931.

General cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignees' risk and subject to the terms and conditions of storage at Holt's Wharf. The cargo will be ready for delivery from the Godown on and after 7th March, 1931.

All broken, chipped, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined on any Tuesday and Friday between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all General cargo remaining undelivered after the 13th March 1931, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 27th March 1931, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 7th March, 1931.

New Advertisements.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Owners are reminded that entries for the First Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 14th March, 1931 (weather permitting) will close on MONDAY, 9th March, 1931, at 12 o'clock noon.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1931.

A. S. WATSON & CO. LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Forty-sixth Annual Ordinary General Meeting of the Company (since its registration) will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on Monday, the 16th March, 1931, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st October, 1930.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, the 11th day of March, to Tuesday, the 17th day of March, 1931, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 5th March, 1931.

THE HONGKONG ROPE
MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Forty-seventh Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on Friday, the 27th March, 1931, at 11 o'clock a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1930, and to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Saturday, 14th March, 1931, until Friday, 27th March, 1931, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors.

SHEWAN, TOME & CO.,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1931.

ASSOCIATION OF SUBSCRIBERS
of the
KOWLOON TONG BUILDING
SCHEME.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the Subscribers of the above Scheme and of all others who may be owners of houses comprised in the Kowloon Tong Building Scheme will be held at the Garden City Club, 119, Waterloo Road, Kowloon Tong, on Saturday, the 13th day of March, 1931, at 3 p.m. for the following purpose:-

1. To receive a Report of the Settlement of all outstanding matters other than the Flush System, from the Committee.

2. To receive from the Committee a Statement of Account in connection with the dispute between the Subscribers, the Kowloon Tong and New Territories Development Company, Limited and the Government and the settlement of the same.

3. To authorise the Committee of the Association of Subscribers of the Kowloon Tong Building Scheme to pay out of the surplus moneys now under their control, all legal and other expenses of the Committee in connection with the dispute between the Subscribers, the Kowloon Tong and New Territories Development Company, Limited and the Government and to distribute any sum which may then remain either amongst the Subscribers or otherwise deal with the same for the benefit of the Kowloon Tong area in such manner as the Meeting may determine.

4. To authorise the Committee to sign on behalf of all Subscribers any indemnity necessary to carry out the terms of settlement as provided by the terms of a letter written on behalf of the Government by the Colonial Secretary to Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master on behalf of the Subscribers and dated the 29th day of May, 1930.

Dated this 2nd day of March, 1931.

By Order of the Committee,

H. F. UN,
Hon. Secretary.

THEATRE ROYAL

ART

and

MRS. BOTTLE

7, 10, 13 and 14 March

at 9.15

11th March

at 5.15

Booking at Anderson's

THE HONGKONG FIRE
INSURANCE CO. LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Sixty-second Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Office of the undesignated on Thursday, the 26th March, 1931, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1930.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 12th to the 26th March, 1931, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON &
COMPANY, LIMITED.
General Managers,
The Hongkong Fire Insurance
Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 5th March, 1931.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON
WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders.

THE FORTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 19th March, 1931, AT NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1930.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from Tuesday, the 10th March, 1931, to Thursday, the 19th March, 1931, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors.

F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1931.

THE DAIRY FARM ICE & COLD
STORAGE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

Notice is hereby given that the Thirty-fifth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Company's Office 2 Lower Albert Road, on Wednesday, the 18th March, 1931 at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and re-electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 7th to the 18th March 1931, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,

J. D. THOMSON,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1931.

HONG KONG TELEPHONE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the SIXTH ORDINARY
EARLY MEETING OF THE HONG
KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY,
LIMITED will be held on
WEDNESDAY, the 11th Day of
March, 1931, at the BOARD ROOM
of the Company, Second Floor,
Exchange Building, Hong Kong,
at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of
receiving a Statement of Accounts
and the Report of the Board of
Directors, for the Financial Year
ended 31st December, 1930, and
re-electing Two Directors and the
Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED From the 4th to the 11th MARCH, 1931. Both Days inclusive.

Dated this 11th day of February,
1931.

By Order of the Board,
W. L. MCKENZIE,
Secretary.

14, Des Voeux Road Central,
Hongkong.

Lammert's Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undesignated have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

on Tuesday, the 10th March, 1931,
commencing at 2.30 p.m.
at their Sales Room,
4, Duddell Street.

A Large Quantity of Valuable
Household Furniture
comprising:-

Tenk Hatstands, Glass Cabinets,
Chesterfield Couches and Arm-
chairs, Gramophones, Records,
Bookcases, Desks, Office Chairs,
Tintsin Carpets and Rugs, Cabin
and Wardrobe Trunks, Porcelain
Flower Pots and Vases, Pictures,
Hand Paintings, etc. etc.

Tenk Extension Dining Tables,
Dining Chairs, Sideboards,
Crockery, Glass Ware, Cutlery,
Cooking Utensils, Ice Chests,
Dresser Tables, Chest of drawers,
Washstands, Blankets, Linen, etc.
etc.

Tenk and Brass Bedsteads with
mattresses, Wardrobes with
Bevelled Mirrors, Lacquer Tea-
pots, Trousers Press, Sewing Ma-
chine, Electric Heater, Electric
Table Fans, etc. etc.

and

A Quantity of Blackwood
Furniture

including:-

Joss Tables, Cabinets, Jardine-
nieres, Armchairs, Majong Table,
Tea Pots, Opium Stools, etc. etc.

1 Motor Cycle (B.S.A.)

On View from Monday,
the 9th March, 1931.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undesignated have received
instructions to sell by Public
Auction,

on Wednesday,
the 11th March, 1931,
commencing at 5.15 p.m.
at their Sales Room,
No. 4, Duddell Street.

A Valuable Collection of
Postage Stamps

On View from Tuesday,
the 10th March, 1931.

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of the

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PROPERTY

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No. 682 and Section G of Inland
Lot No. 683

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known as

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Third Street,
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the 11th March, 1931,
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FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



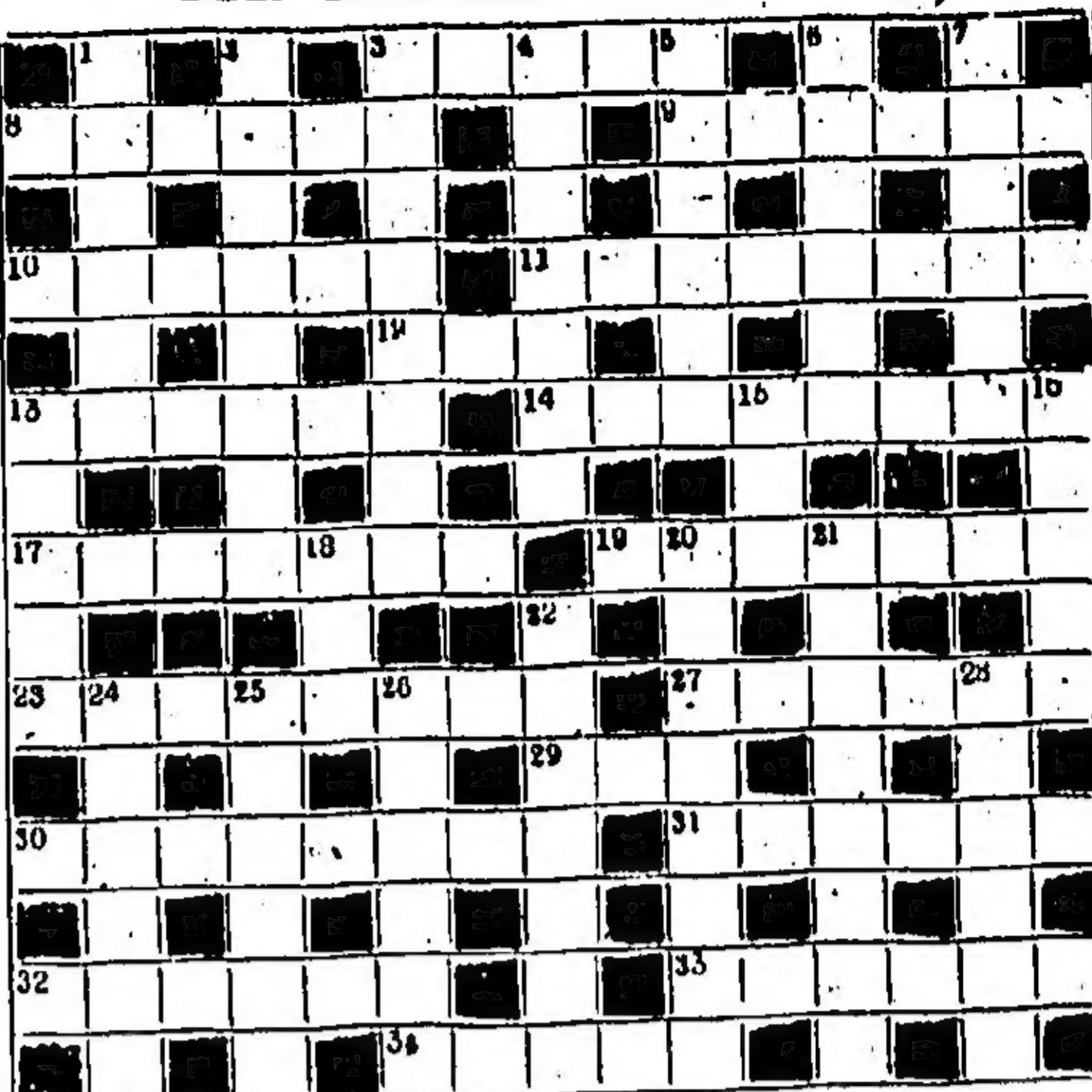
BINKLEY AND FARBAR CAN GET NOTHING OUT OF PETER THE HERMIT AND IT ANNOYS THEM INTENSELY. THAT THEIR VICTIM SHOULD NOT EVEN GIVE THEM THE SATISFACTION OF FURIOUSLY STRUGGLING AT THE END OF THE ROPE...

Getting a Bead on That Rope!



By Blosser

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS

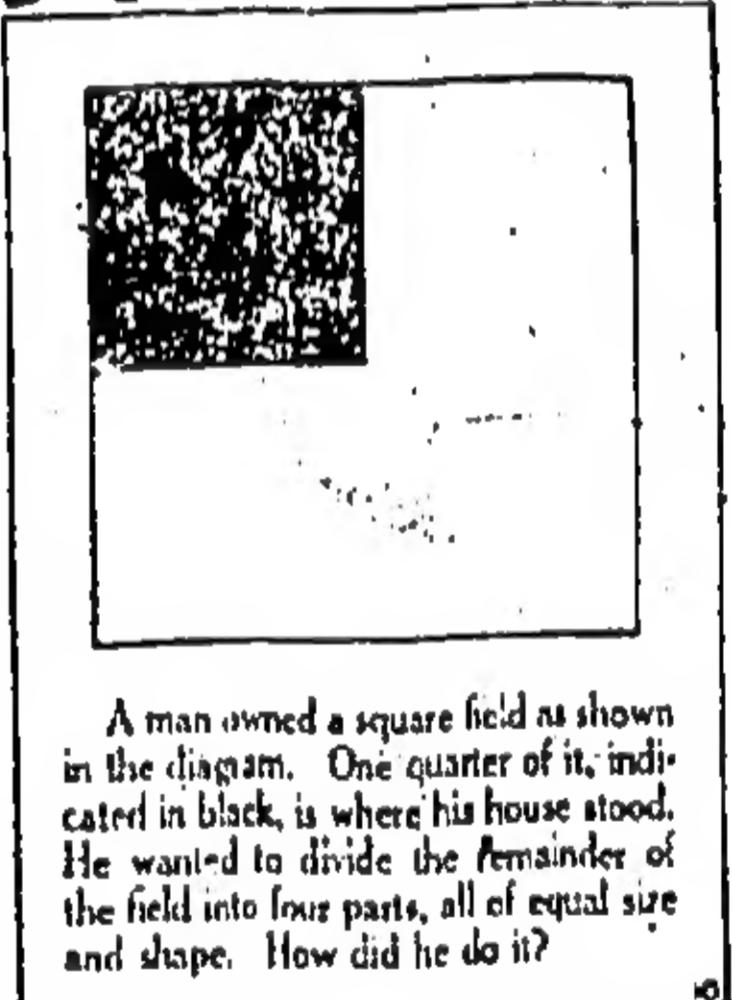


4 This flower has its own one.
5 A powerful acid.
6 Who said, "A little more than kin, and less than kind?"
7 This fare is spare.
13 Hero Pan introduces terror.
16 Get on—and get out.
18 The most famous town in Surrey.
19 This is always a bit of an incubus.
20 He met his death at the hands of a town.
21 Any old place will do.
22 Think wise men are present.
23 In this one may strike oil.
25 Loose leaves inserted between the pages of a periodical.
26 Cut off including the lid.
28 Here a small sailing vessel is the centre of the disturbance.

Saturday's Solution

S N O I T A S U O C A C B
O N G N R P O R E
C O U N T R I F D M N
N U S E T I P S P E D
A A F E A T H E R F
T E N O H N O U E L E M I
M T I E T C R A T H C
O V A T F E R R E E V E
S T G D O H P H I N N
P R O T O E E M E D O C
H I N M O M E N T S E
E R I N C L H S L
R E S P R E F E R E N C E S
I B E X E T I O E N
G D C A N N I B A L I S M

STICKERS



A man owned a square field as shown in the diagram. One quarter of it, indicated in black, is where his house stood. He wanted to divide the remainder of the field into four parts, all of equal size and shape. How did he do it?

CINEMA NOTES

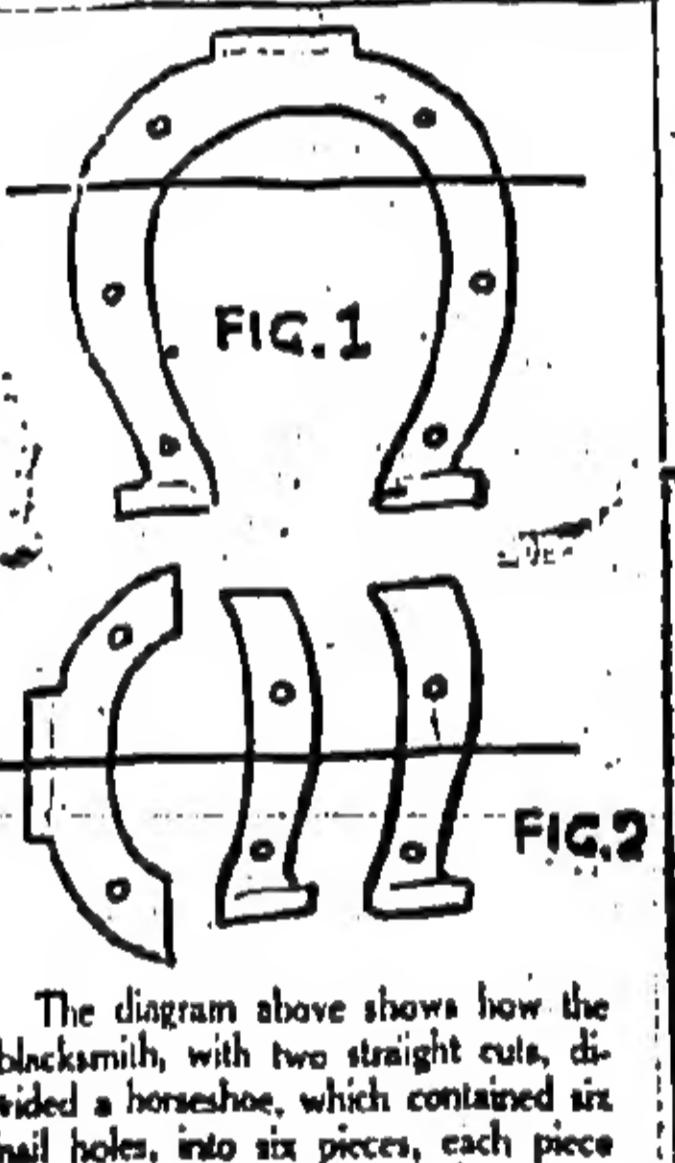
"WHY BRING THAT UP?" AT THE CENTRAL.

Moran and Mack, the Two Black Crows, made their picture debut to success, a girl, Evelyn Brent, comes in and separates Moran from the picture, then splits up, or rather threatens to, this team who are so devoted to each other. But events transpire to the contrary.

Besides giving the audience a chance to find out just which was Moran and who was Mack, who by the way are called by their right names in the picture, they presented a delightful bit of entertainment.

Oscaras Foy Cohen, the author of "Why Bring That Up?" is said to have written the story loosely about the actual lives of Moran and Mack. Whether he did or not, the picture has a consistent plot, which is so often

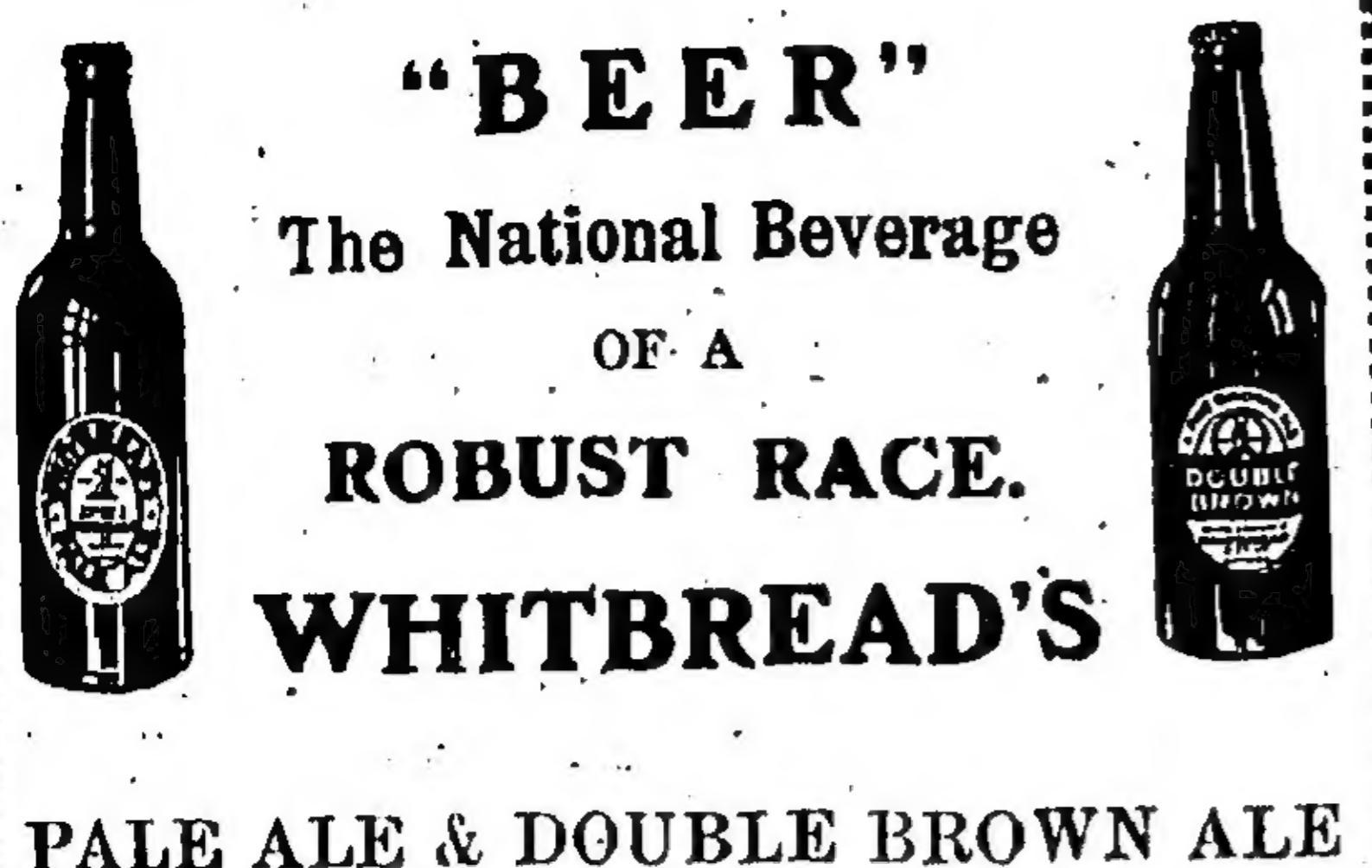
Saturday's Solution.



The diagram above shows how the blacksmith, with two straight cuts, divided a horseshoe, which contained six nail holes, into six pieces, each piece containing one nail hole.

locking in first vehicles of popular stage stars, Moran and Mack team up, start their famous "Two Black Crows" routine and start on the road to success, a girl, Evelyn Brent, comes in and separates Moran from some of his earnings, and splits up, or rather threatens to, this team who are so devoted to each other. But events transpire to the contrary. Moran and Mack introduce parts of their former successes and add several new numbers—in the same vein. The stage sequences are elaborately screened with much realism.

"Why Bring That Up?" should have a very satisfactory showing here. Fans will not only love their curiosity satisfied as to just what these record and rank artists look and act like, but will see and hear a striking piece of entertainment.



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DEATH.

BENJAMIN.—Dolly, wife of Saseon Benjamin, on 8th March, 1931, at Cap Martin, France. (By cable).

The Hongkong Telegraph.

MONDAY, MARCH 9, 1931.

A BETTING TAX.

A further reminder that the Government is in need of funds is provided by the increases in the parcels post rates, these having been foreshadowed quite recently when the Colony's financial position was explained at some length in the Legislative Council. Once again, it is the fall in the value of the dollar which has necessitated this step. To the ordinary resident this 33.1/3 per cent. advance in parcel post rates will mean very little, but business firms will be called upon to shoulder yet another burden. It has already been suggested that the Assessment Tax may have to be raised once again before the year is out, but the Government should realise that there is likely to be considerable opposition to any step in this direction, from householders and business houses alike. More revenue may be needed, admittedly; it should, however, be raised from such sources as will not place a further handicap either on trade or on householders. Business is bad enough as things are, whilst living costs have markedly advanced within the past year. In these circumstances, it is the duty of the Government to explore the full possibilities of taxation in directions which will inflict as little hardship as possible.

In this connexion, the suggestion has again been put forward that the Government should institute a betting tax. We thoroughly agree with this idea, as it is obvious that a very considerable source of revenue could be raised from this source without the least difficulty. We have just concluded Race Week in Hongkong, and it is safe to say that on the course alone well over two million dollars has changed hands in the sweeps and parimutuel booths. A five per cent. betting tax would thus yield at least a lakh of dollars from the annual Race Meeting alone. This sum, however, by no means exhausts the possibilities. Besides the annual Races we have regular Extra Meetings, to say nothing of the Fanling Hunt fixtures, in addition to which account must be taken of the huge sums of money which are subscribed during Race Week to various Club sweeps.

These latter are now legalised, and they should be tapped for much-needed revenue. No plea of hardship could be raised if a betting tax were instituted, since the man who can afford to gamble can well afford to pay a little extra and thus help the Colony's finances. Indeed, a betting tax is a luxury tax pure and simple. It is in force at Home, and there is no reason why it should not be introduced here in Hongkong. Unlike many other types of taxes, it should be extremely easy to collect, and there would not be the least opportunity for evasion.

From every standpoint, such a tax as we urge is justified. Objections on moral grounds can be put aside, for if the "tainted money" argument were raised it could be shown that the Colony already receives a considerable proportion of its revenue from opium and liquor, whilst even in England the consideration mentioned does not deter the Government from securing funds from the proceeds of gambling. In one of his despatches to the Colonial Office, Sir Cecil Clementi mentioned the possibility of raising revenue from amusement and betting taxes, but expressed a doubt whether these would be very productive. Since then, however, the Government has found a very useful source in the amusement tax, and we imaging that a betting tax would be just as productive, if even not more so.

Before any other steps are taken, therefore, we trust that the Government will investigate this matter, feeling convinced that the easily-calculated estimates would show the idea to be well worth while.

POLICE RESERVE.

ORDERS FOR THE CURRENT WEEK.

Police Reserve Orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Inspector General of Police, state:

Revolver Practice.—There will be no revolver practice at the Kennedy Road Range on Wednesday, March 11th, 1931.

Police Training School.

The weekly classes for Police Reservists at the Police Training School, Kowloon, will be held as usual on Tuesday, March 10th at 5.30 p.m. All members of the Chinese Company and of the Flying Squad who have not yet passed Part 2 of Training Course should attend.

Chinese Company.

Squad Drill.—All recruits of the Chinese Company will attend Central Police Station for Squad Drill on Thursday, March 12th at 5.30 p.m. under L.S.R. 43 Tso Chi On.

Flying Squad.

Squad Drill.—All recruits of the Flying Squad will attend at Police Headquarters for Squad Drill on Thursday, March 12th at 5.30 p.m. under L.S.R. 33 A. W. Mooney.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Kowloon Section will take place on Tuesday, March 10th. Fall in at Tsim-tsa-tau Fire Brigade Station at 5.30 p.m. garrison Dress—Winter Uniform and Cap with White Cover.

Special Duty.—Members who are detailed for special duty on the occasion of the Inter-University Athletic Competition which will be held at Caroline Hill will parade at Central Police Station on Saturday, March 14th at 12.45 p.m. sharp.

There will be no instructional patrol for the Hongkong Section on Friday, March 13th.

Sharpshooter's Company.

Miniature Range Practice.—The regular weekly practice will be carried out by the members of the Company Rifle Club on Thursday, March 12th at 5.15 p.m.

(Sgt.) D. L. KINO,
D.S.P. (R).

SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close of the sugar market on Saturday has been received by Messrs. Pen-treat and Co.

London Terminals.
March 1932 6/9 no change.
May 1931 5/10 down 1/2d.
August 1931 6/1/4 down 1/4d.
December 1931 6/5 down 1/4d.

New York Terminals.
March 1932 1.52.
May 1931 1.20 down 1 pt.
July 1931 1.29 down 1 pt.
September 1931 1.35 down 2 pt.
December 1931 1.48 down 1 pt.

DAY BY DAY

YOU WILL, IN GENERAL, INGRATIATE YOURSELF WITH OTHERS, STILL LESS BY PAYING THEM TOO MUCH COUNT THAN TOO LITTLE—Greville.

The P. and O. s.s. Karmala, from Singapore, is due here at 6 a.m. on Friday.

The P. & O. s.s. Comorin, from Hongkong, arrived at London on 6th March at 10 a.m.

The Hongkong University Union will hold its Annual General Meeting in the Great Hall of the University on the 10th March, 1931 at 5 p.m.

Among those leaving for Home yesterday by the s.s. Khiva were Mr. W. May and Mr. D. M. Richards (of the Education Department), Mr. E. S. Carter (of the P. W. D.), and Major W. G. H. Miles, R.M.

A servant employed by the Chinese constable of the Water Police Station was given one month's imprisonment by Mr. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning for stealing an overcoat belonging to one of the constables.

On account of bad weather, the annual prizid distribution at the Cheung Chau Government School has been postponed to Wednesday, the 11th inst., when Mrs. G. P. de Martin has kindly consented to give away the prizes at 2.30 p.m.

A boiler-maker named Li Chung, of 386, Shanghai Street, has been removed to the Kwong Wah Hospital suffering from injuries to his back caused by a boiler at the Tung Hing Loong Engineering Works, Sham-shui-poo, falling on him.

Newa was received by cable in Hongkong to-day of the death, which occurred yesterday at Cap Martin, France, of the wife of Mr. Sassoon Benjamin, at one time senior partner in Messrs. Benjamin and Potts. As a mark of respect, the firm's office is being closed this afternoon.

The Health Bulletin of Eastern Ports for the week ending 28th February shows the following cases:—Plague—Baghdad 1, Colombo 1, Bangkok 3; Cholera—Madras 14, Negapatam 2, Chittagong 6, Pondicherry 31, Saigon 3; Small-pox—Bombay 3, Cochin 18, Karachi 4, Madras 3, Rangoon 1, Vizagapatam 8, Chittagong 2; Penang 2, Saigon 2, Shanghai 4; Greater Shanghai 2.

But now I was ready to leave Kieff for Poland, and the train which was coming through from Odessa was sure to be late, I was told. Nobody knew quite how much. Perhaps one hour, perhaps three, perhaps today, perhaps tomorrow.

Meanwhile what to do? I had already looked at the Ukrainian countryside. I had driven and walked through the city which for so long held out against allying itself with the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics. I had looked at its buildings and peered into its shops. I had spent one interesting Sunday morning in the free market, where customers and sellers mingle in one great inchoate mass, milling up and down and across a large square, thousands of men and women jammed in a little space while the bargaining goes on.

I had listened to Tchaikovsky explained by the leader of the orchestra and then played, a motif at a time, during an entire evening in a recreation park.

But all these things I had done. And now the question which pressed heavily on my Russian guide was what to do with me while I waited for the train. She remembered that in Moscow I had asked to see a motion-picture studio instead of the social institutions with which my programme had been so loaded, and that I had given her a few anxious moments by declining to see another institution no matter who in

WAITING IN RUSSIA.

By Marjorie Shuler.

the Government wanted me to go. I had remained away from the institutions, but the particular official who had charge of mapping out my programme had been firm, too.

"It would interrupt the work at the motion-picture factory." So "the factory" had remained a closed door to me.

"There is a motion-picture factory in Kieff," she volunteered, and instantly we were off, leaving the luggage heaped up ready for whenever the train should come.

And then began another game of waiting. I wanted to see the films in process of making, to compare the process with the great lots in Hollywood on which I have seen famous directors evolving the scenes of world-famous films.

I saw the scenery room. And I asked about the filming. I looked at sets for the next anti-religious picture and sets of peasants' homes for the next anti-kulak picture, by which the Government will spread its arguments against respectively the church and the rich landowners. And I asked when I should see the actors at work.

I looked at the costumes, rows and rows of uniforms hanging on the hooks waiting for the wearers. And I asked for the wearers and when I was to see them being photographed.

Everywhere preparation, plenty of preparation in the Russian style. But where was the work being done? Was any work being done? Evasions. Polite, always polite promises that I should see what I wished. But evasions.

At last regretfully I gave up and gave in. It was apparent that I was not to see the filming—if any filming was going on. We compromised on a run of a film already made, one which is expected to be successful in the United States, but which seemed to me to be all propaganda, with no continuity.

Back to the hotel and to luncheon. Already it was almost 4 o'clock. Would the train come that day? Yes, it appeared that the train was in and waiting. It had been the turn of the train to wait, evidently. How long I never knew, as I got myself and my bags on the train for the long trip to Warsaw, just six hours late leaving Kieff.

We had planned a great sling for our leave-taking. We had ordered chicken for the Americans on the train, eight chickens for twenty-four women, although the guide had insisted that eight chickens were too many for twenty-four women. We opened the newspaper packages in which our supper had been wrapped and found we had not eight chickens, but eight squabs—and for twenty-four women.

It was a model of carving, but somehow the scraps were passed around and we contented ourselves with the thought that at the Polish border we should find waiting for us the dinners we had ordered by telegraph from Kieff.

At 3 o'clock the next morning we arrived at the Russian border for our final examination. We presented our exchange receipts and patiently explained what we had spent our money for, and why. We opened our bags for the slow and careful inspection of the customs guards.

It was a crisp, cold morning with that heavy darkness which seems so much more intense just before the dawn, when we Americans walked shed and back onto the train for the trip across the border. Suddenly laughter, which had not been heard for weeks, broke out. People began to call little jokes back and forth to each other and to be gay about nothing at all. The Polish guards in their blue uniforms were pleasant, too. Everything was easy and kindly, and restraint and restriction began to fade into the past.

We marched along to the station restaurant. Dinners for twenty-four ladies had been ordered, and dinners for twenty-four ladies were served, the cold hors-d'oeuvres and the Wiener schnitzel tasting strange at the breakfast hour. But we, too, had "come out of Russia," and now we understood why returning travellers invariably use that phrase.

The next day we passed through miles of tidy countryside, neat farms and well painted and repaired buildings. To be sure there were soldiers everywhere, and we began to wonder at their number.

"A standing army of 400,000, the largest for its size of any" (Continued on Page 7.)



"Good morning, ma'am, could I interest you in a year's subscription to the Country House and Garden?"

NEEDS OF CHEERO CLUB.

PERMANENT SECRETARY ADVISABLE.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The impossibility of managing a place such as the Y.M.C.A. Cheero Club without a permanent Secretary was stressed by Mrs. D. J. Lewis in a speech from the chair at the annual meeting of the Ladies' Committee of the Club held this morning. Proper supervision, she commented, was constantly necessary, and although the Service men who had been lent to act as secretaries, were willing and capable, the arrangement was not satisfactory.

Mr. R. A. Brown, in presenting the statement of accounts, referred to the welcome increase in the amount of money spent at the Club, which, he said, was an indication of its increasing success.

Mrs. D. J. Lewis, the retiring Chairman, presided, and others present included Mrs. F. C. Bellamy (prospective Chairman), Mr. Justice J. R. Wood, Mr. R. A. Brown (Chairman, Management Committee), and Mr. J. L. Mephereson (Y.M.C.A. General Secretary).

Mrs. Lewis' Speech.

In addressing the meeting, Mrs. Lewis said:—This is our fourth annual meeting and I am sure we can say the year has been a successful one. There is no doubt that the Cheero Club for our Service men should become a permanent institution.

Only the people who give their time here, realise, how much the Service men appreciate our small efforts to give them a welcome. It has not been an easy task to keep the Club going from a financial point of view.

The Y.M.C.A. unfortunately find they cannot do as much as they have done hitherto. Our Secretary was taken away nearly a year ago and we have had to rely on temporary assistance. This has not been at all satisfactory. It is impossible to run a place like this without a permanent Secretary. Proper supervision is constantly necessary and although the Service men who have been lent to us (the next as Secretaries) are willing and capable, the arrangement is not satisfactory. They no sooner get to know their work than they have to go back to their military duties and we have had three Service men since September.

There is so much to attend to—supervision of the building and Chinese staff, catering and accounts made up daily and the many daily things which need a whole-time Secretary. It also becomes very difficult for the Ladies' Committee to have to see that things are kept in proper working order. I am sure that a permanent Secretary would be an economy in the long run. The building has been generously lent us by the City Hall Committee and our main expenses are light, water, heating and wages. Mr. Brown will discuss accounts with you later.

Magazine Bill.

This last year (owing to the rate of the dollar) our magazine bill cost us \$400. This bill will not be incurred this year as we have had voluntary donations of the following magazines:—Illustrated London News, Graphic, Sphere, Bookman, Pearson's, Argosy, Strand, London Opinion, Humorist, Johnman, Pearson's, Argosy, Strand, Cycling, Punch, Athletic News, Daily Sketch (weekly edition), Modern Wireless, Truth, British Weekly, Observer, Sunday Express, Weekly Scotsman, Manchester Guardian, Times (weekly edition), Pearson's Weekly, Overseas Daily Mail, Tatler, and English Review.

If anyone cares to send us any magazine not already mentioned, we shall be most grateful. Even duplicates are useful, as magazines are not in the main room as well as in the Library. Kindly address to:—Mrs. R. Lindsell, Cheero Club, who has kindly taken over from Mrs. Beavis who is shortly going home.

I myself am leaving for Home on the 28th and Mrs. Bellamy is taking over from me. Mrs. Bellamy has been keenly interested in the Cheero ever since it started and has also acted as Hon. Secretary, so I know I shall be leaving the work in very capable hands.

Thanks Expressed.

I should like to thank my Committee for all their splendid cooperation during this last year and I am certain they will carry on their good work. We owe a great debt of gratitude to Mr. True and his band. He plays regularly for our weekly Monday impromptu dances and for all our subscription dances. He has been most generous in giving us so much of his time. We also thank H.M.S. Medway Band for playing at our other

DEATH OF MR. LAM SHU-CHUEN.

DIRECTOR OF TUNG WAH HOSPITAL.

After a long illness, Mr. Lam Shu-chuen, 25-year-old son of Mr. Lam Cheuk-ming, proprietor of the Loong Shing Jewellery store in Queen's Road Central, and a member of the Directorate of the Tung Wah Hospital, passed away at the Young Wo Nursing Home on Saturday. He is survived by his widow, a sister of Mr. Moi Kon-sang, the well-known compradore of Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, and by two daughters.

The funeral, which took place today at noon, was of an imposing nature, and was attended by several hundred friends. The interment took place at the permanent Chinese Cemetery at Aber-

BEGGAR'S PLEA.

TO BE SENT BACK TO SHEKUNG.

Charged with being a mendicant, a Chinese who was taken into custody, yesterday after accosting a sailor from the French cruiser *Wuldekk Rousseau*, told Mr. Williams, at the Central Magistracy to-day that he had been expelled from Indo-China after serving a term in a gaol there. He was desirous of returning to his native town of Shekung, Kwangtung.

On the undertaking that he would proceed to Shekung, the expense of a passage to be paid by the Police, defendant was discharged with a caution.

impromptu dances. We thank too, all the kind people of the Colony who have regularly helped our Committee in making our Christmas and Welcome dances a success by sending us Home-made refreshments, and we also thank the ladies who turn up to our dances. We thank too, Sir William Hornell, the Hon. Mr. Shenton, Mr. T. Pearce and Mrs. Murphy for their generous donation (amounting to \$105) to the Ladies' Committee Personal Fund. Out of this fund we have been able to make the Cheero more attractive. Tea and table cloths have to be replaced frequently. We have been able to get lampshades for library and dining room and many odd things which add to amenities of the place. We still have \$89.40 in our Personal Fund and \$45.60 for the use of the Librarian. New books have to be bought and old ones kept in order and we endeavour to get any book asked for. Suggestion boxes are placed in each room and all suggestions made by the Service men are promptly attended to by our Committee.

New Officers.

The Committee elected for the coming year are as follows:—Mrs. F. C. Bellamy, Chairman; Mrs. R. Lindsell, Chairman of the Library; Mrs. Tinson, Hon. Secretary, Mrs. Drummond, Mrs. Shellshear, Mrs. Aste and Mrs. Scott-Little.

If there are any questions anyone would care to ask I shall be pleased to answer them to the best of my ability.

Financial Position.

Mr. R. A. Brown spoke with appreciation of the work accomplished on behalf of the Cheero Club by the Ladies' Committee, and said that evidence of appreciation of their labours was to be found in the increased numbers making use of the premises. They had no check on the exact numbers who used the Club, but the increased amount spent there was an indication. In 1929 the amount spent was \$11,223, and in 1930, \$14,702, an increase of \$3,479, or 31 per cent. During the last six months of 1929, \$4,175 was spent in the rooms, and for the same period in 1930, this increased to \$8,028, or 92 per cent.

During January this year, \$2,119 had been received from the use of the premises, as compared with \$1,040 for the corresponding period of 1929. This was an increase of 111 per cent, which could be regarded as highly satisfactory, since the success of the organisation could be gauged by the amount of money spent. It was therefore obvious that the past year had been one of the most successful in the history of Club, and he was glad to say that they had the sum of \$3,600 in hand.

Referring to the special appeal launched last June, when the sum asked for was \$4,000, Mr. Brown said that the total received to date was \$1,710, together with a monthly donation of \$60 from the Y.M.C.A., which meant another \$600. They were also hoping for further responses from several of the business firms.

He expressed appreciation of the valuable work of Mrs. Lewis, the retiring Chairman, and extended a warm welcome to Mrs. Bellamy, her successor.

ANOTHER BIG A.D.C. SUCCESS.

"ART AND MRS. BOTTLE" A REAL TRIUMPH.

SPLENDID ACTING.

"Art and Mrs. Bottle," the latest production of the enterprising Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club, is a comedy and a puzzle. The dialogue is no intriguing as to make one leave the Theatre Royal uncertain whether to laugh together with the author in his supposedly very modernistic attitude towards conventional standards of morality, or to weep tears of shame at the hypocrisy of the said conventional standards. But this conflict of emotions cannot rob the play of its appeal and its entertainment. Rather does it enhance it.

At least, the Hongkong A.D.C. has given us something new; revolutionary ideas as to the meaning of art and (to the not so very sophisticated), futuristic interpretations of moral standards. For this we have to thank them, whether we agree with both, one or the other, or neither.

The Story.

We have an obviously intelligent and gifted woman, married very early to a man who is "something in Sanitary" bored with her existence, pining to give self-expression to emotions throttled by water pipes and flushes, suddenly flinging off these handicaps to discover "Life" by running away with a man who is really "something in Art." With her artistic desires fully satisfied (and destroyed), she is forced to turn to the more material things of life, and so becomes a Countess, though, as she explains, this was only a courtesy title. But her source of sustenance fades out, and it is here where the comedy or the farce, according to viewpoint, begins.

She returns to her husband, to find him a wealthy sanitary engineer, and her two children, now at the age of discretion, dabbling in art. They learn of the life story of their mother, whom they had been given to understand was dead, and accept the situation; whilst the daughter is so encouraged as to confess her own prospective intrigue. Naturally, it is with none other than in the mother's first "affair" now married, but still suffering from the same complex. The remainder of the action is mainly played up with the mother's endeavours to save the daughter from the indignity of her own position of some 20 years before.

Interpreted there is a small love affair of the son with one of his models, who is so innocently snobbish as to be capable of winning anybody's affection, and finally the satisfactory working out of the two problems, plus the reconciliation of wife to husband.

Frances Lack's Success.

Frances Lack has anything but an easy task in the portrayal of Sonia Tippet, a model, and also the girl of Michael Bottle's heart and ideals. Her scene with Mrs. Bottler, when she endeavours to place before the mother her reasons for not being able to marry Michael, in the least snobbish fashion possible, is an especially creditable piece of acting, and throughout she is delightfully naive and perfectly natural.

A Brilliant Achievement.

One need have no hesitation in saying that the local players make the utmost of this colourful story, and nothing could be more satisfactory than their treatment of it. It is a brilliant achievement from beginning to end, for they succeed in making it something real.

Though they make us laugh, they also make us feel that there is a tragedy behind the satirical lines.

Fay Grossman fills the all-important role of Mrs. Celia Bottle, whose life had been wrecked through the injudicious mixing of water pipes, art, and the sex-appeal of a Count, and from the moment she makes her entrance into the home she had left 20 years before, to the time when she is again accepted by the sanitary inspector as his wife, she scores a big triumph. One cannot but be charmed with her delightful candour, her soft, cultured tones, as she seeks to unravel a tiresome domestic and immoral knot, her subdued mannerisms, and her absolute lack of anything that suggests "stinginess." It is one of the finest performances Hongkong has been privileged to have from a local artiste.

Further stagings of this comedy will be given on Tuesday, Friday and Saturday nights, together with a matinee on Wednesday at 15.15 p.m. Everyone should make a point of seeing one of the greatest successes ever put on by the A.D.C.

Those Who Played.

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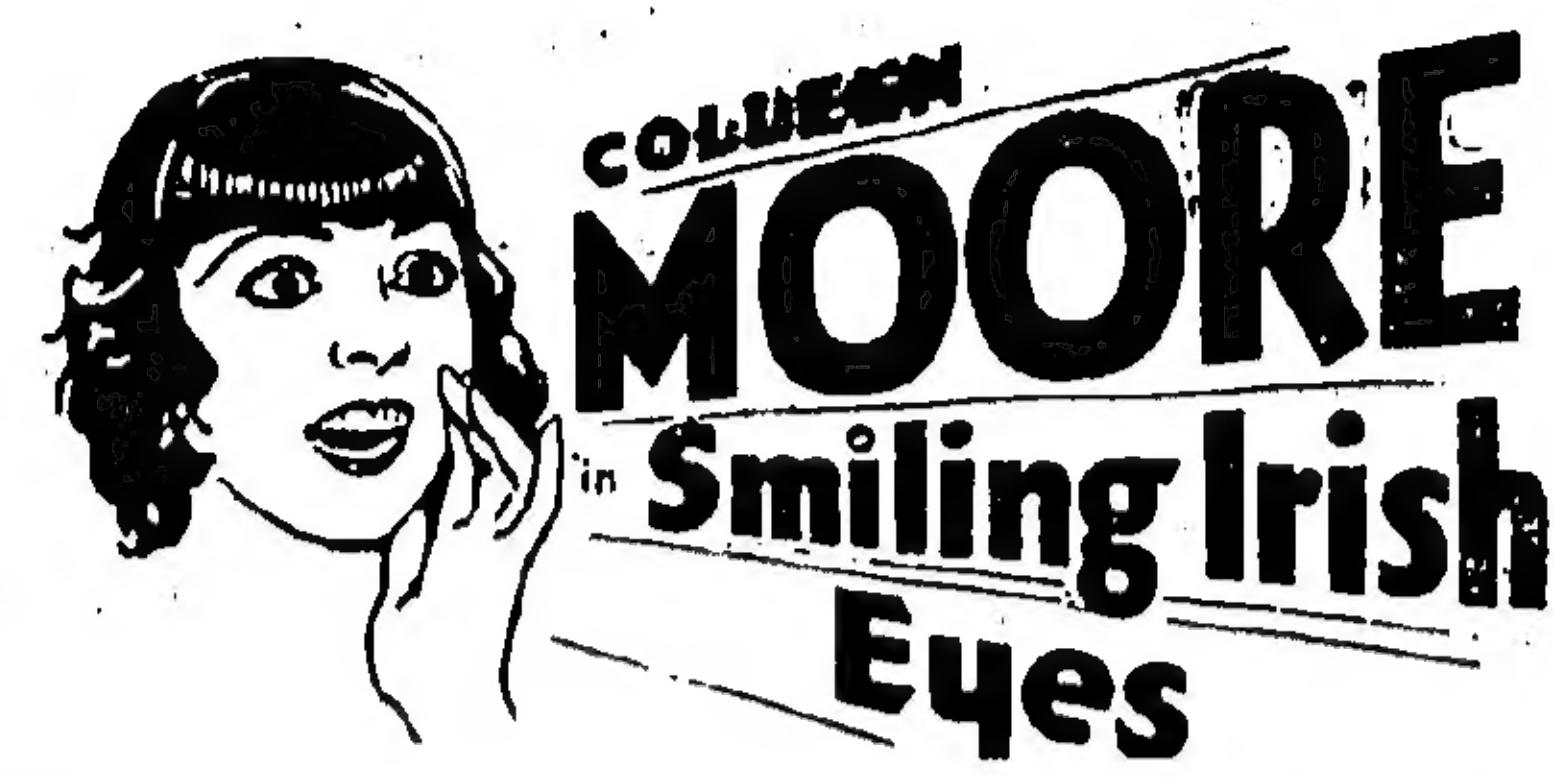
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CLUB 2ND. DO WELL.

[By "Wanderer."]

In the production of football that was more earnest than skillful, the Shield-ties on Saturday were typical. In the dearth of surprises they were not so typical. The only eleven that contrived to bring off the unexpected were the Club second string, who eliminated the South Wales Borderers from the Junior Shield.

This was the most interesting of the junior games. From a football standpoint, the Borderers' Reserves were infinitely superior, but their finishing was wretched and the smart goal obtained by Strange Junior in the closing stages, for the Club, seemed fitting in the circumstances. Sloan and Hynes played a remarkably good game at back and it was their work, and that of Fogwill in goal, which made success possible. The Borderers asked for defeat by their prodigality with chances.

South China, Kowloon and the Borderers qualified for the Senior Shield semi-finals, the fourth match between the Recreio and Artillery being postponed. The results were:

Senior Shield.
South. China 2 Royal Navy
Club 0 Kowloon
St. Joseph's 1 Borderers 7

Junior Shield.
Club Res. 1 Borderers Res. 0
Evo. 0 Kowloon 2
South China 2 Navy Res. 3
St. Joseph's 1 Eastern 2

SOUTH CHINA IN THE
SEMI-FINAL.Weakness of Navy Attack
Again Evident.

The Navy, making five changes from the team which lost to South China 7-2 last month, put up quite a good show on Caroline Hill, but they were clearly inferior to South China in their finishing work. When South China's forwards got within shooting range they were dangerous, but the Navy attack was marred in efficiency by hesitancy.

South China got their early goal, Chu Kwok-lun hitting in Pak-wa's centre past Bines, and this tonic enabled them to overplay their opponents by some remarkably keen football. Fung King-cheung netting a second with a wonderful drive. Thanks to Bines, who saved splendidly from all three inside forwards and a rock-like exhibition by Dixon, the Navy emerged from this period without suffering the loss of further goals and afterwards, as far as midfield play was concerned, they were as good as the opposition.

This was due partly to the rise of the half-back line. In the early stages, Butler, Shirras and Ashman lacked understanding and were overrun, but as soon as they tightened up, the South China attack was not so prominent, while Shirras's clever distribution of the ball gave his forwards ample scope for dangerous movements.

The chief trouble forward was over-anxiety. Nearly all the movements of the inside men were unnecessarily hurried except in the matter of shooting, and in this, curiously enough, they seemed reluctant to let drive.

They put more fire into their work in the second half, but Li Tin-sang and Tam Kong-puk were steady, and Pau Ku-ping handled everything that came his way with complete confidence.

Fung King-cheung was the best forward on the field. His passes were nearly always just right and individually he was the most dangerous raider. Ip Pak-wa and Li Wan-tong made up a very clever left wing, but the right did not do particularly well.

Leung Wing-chu occupied the centre-half berth in the place of Wong Mee-shun, who, I understand, has been suspended for a year for his "exploits" against Kowloon. Leung was the best of the half-backs, though the newcomer, Tong Kwan, tackled the Skinner proposition as successfully as any other player has done this season.

The South China scoring pro-

cesses were curtailed by sound

understanding in the Navy de-

fence after the interval, plus good

positional play, and some capital

goalkeeping.

Shirras, Dixon, Ashman were

outstanding, and Dickenson and

Skinner were the most lively mem-

bers of the attack.

A CURIOUS GAME.

Club Improvement Followed
By Kowloon Goals.

Kowloon defeated the Club by two clear goals and although they were the better all round team, and deserved their win, in one sense they must be accounted a trifle lucky. In the opening half, the Club defence had scarcely a moment's respite. Kowloon breaking up occasional Club raids with much difficulty, and continually threatening Roger's charge. Yet they failed to score. After the interval, the Club improved immeasurably, and exchanges were fairly even. The Club came close to goals on more than one occasion—although few really good shot were fired at Penny—but Kowloon, with fewer chances than in the first half, netted twice.

One was from a penalty, taken by Gillott, but Lanson was in an excellent scoring position when Strange brought him down. The second came a minute before the end when the Club had thrust all their resources into attack in a determined effort to obtain an equaliser, leaving their defence wide open to a sudden burst on the Kowloon right which gave Lanson an easy opportunity from the cross.

Kowloon started with the idea of playing high fulfulin' football,

but the half-hearted tactics of

the Club defenders were such as

to upset good combination, and

play became ragged. McKeown and Hedley kept a firm grip in midfield and the former was feed-

ing delightfully. In consequence,

the visitors attacked almost con-

stantly before the interval. Lan-

son was brought down when he

was right through on one occasion

and Grimwood and Gillott shared

his fate later on. Gillott hit the

cross-bar with a shot on the run,

and Lanson drove the return high

over. Pile cut in on another occa-

sion, getting in two shots, one

of which Rodger returned to him;

the other was turned over the bar

for a corner.

These were the nearest Kowloon

got to a goal. At the other end,

Penny handled the ball only twice.

The Club fought back in great

style after the interval, Watson

giving a splendid display at centre-

forward, worrying the backs into

error. Unfortunately, he got lit-

tle backing, and in the end he was

usually crowded out.

Baldwin had a great opportunity

five minutes from the end, receiv-

ing close in during a scrummage,

but he delayed just a fraction of

second and Dowman took the ball

off his toe.

The outstanding player on the

field was Grimwood, whose neat

ball control, elusive swerves, and

accurate passing caused the Club

defence a good deal of worry.

The vast majority of the Kowloon

attacking movements started from

him, partly because he was such

a persistent forager. His com-

ination with Lanson provided

some of the nicest moves in the

game, though clever work was

also done by Hedley, who backed

up his forwards capitally.

Rodger had a big share in keep-

ing Kowloon out, and both Strange

and Bishop were effective backs,

kicking exceedingly well. Some

of the former's tackling, however,

was risky, to say the least.

Stewart was the best of the hal-

ves and Gray and Watson were

the most promising attackers.

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FANLING GOLF.

THE CAPTAIN'S CUP
COMPETITION.

On the Old Course at Fanling during the week-end, R. M. Henderson qualified for the Captain's Cup with a score of 86—14—71. There were 42 entries, and other scores were: E. de Vaux 84—12—72; S. J. H. Fox 85—9—76; A. Ritchie 89—12—77; K. S. Robertson 83—6—77; C. H. Burton 94—17—77. On the New Course, there were eight entries, and F. Black qualified with a score of 92—13—79.

One player was disqualified, as he took out a card on each course.

O. EAGER WINS JUNIOR
TITLE.

O. Eager won the Junior Championship of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club on Sunday, when he met and defeated Lt.-Col. Matthews in the final round by 2 up and 1 to play.

London, Mar. 7. In the first division match between the Hongkong Cricket Club and the University, played at Pokfulam, A.C.I. Bowker, the backbone of Hongkong's attack in many a past Interport, struck his old form with the ball, and performed the "hat trick" and captured eight wickets for only 20 runs. This is the second occasion that this feat has been performed in an official game this season.

The visitors had first knock but started rather shakily, four wickets falling for only 28 runs. Some consistent bowling by the later batsmen pulled the game round, the last wicket falling at 182. H. Owen Hughes was top scorer for his side with 46, while A. Reid had a merry knock for 31. A. T. Nomanhov captured four wickets for 45 runs and Anderson four for 63.

After the fall of the first wicket, Anderson and Reid were associated in a profitable second wicket partnership which was mainly responsible for the good score put up by the under-graduates. Bowker ran through the side in his second spell with the ball, none of the other batsmen reaching double figures.

Anderson gave a polished display for 62, and Reid contributed 37 to the University's score of 144 for nine wickets when stumps were drawn.

DIVISION I.

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London, Mar. 7.
In the early hours of the morning 70 fire engines and 1,100 firemen from all over London, rushed to the docks to fight one of the most serious outbreaks in London in recent years. The fire practically gutted a seven-story warehouse at Butler's Wharf, near Tower Bridge, destroying valuable stocks of tea and rubber.

A strong east wind fanned the flames and scattered showers of burning tea on the firefighters, who made a tremendous effort to prevent the conflagration spreading to other buildings in the district, which is one of London's fire "danger zones."

The fire fighting towers swayed perilously in the wind, and gas masked firemen clung on for dear life as they directed their hoses into the blaze. Clouds of smoke rose so dense that they could be seen seven miles away. A large crane fixed to a wall at the wharf crashed into the river in front of a group of firemen who narrowly escaped death.

In addition to using floats on the river the firemen commanded a steamer anchored nearby, and from the masts directed streams of water on to the flames.—*Reuter*.

CHINESE MILITARY UNREST.

12TH DIVISION MUTINY CONFIRMED.

Peking, Mar. 8.
Reliable Chinese and foreign reports confirm the report from Hankow on March 6 of a mutiny of the 12th Division.

Twenty thousand men apparently occupy the area from Sinyangchow to Kwangshui. Trains from Peking are not running further than Chumtien.

The first loyal troops sent against the rebels were insufficient and are reported to have been defeated. Severe fighting is now said to be going on near Kwangshui.

In Shansi Too,

Reports of a mutiny of Shansi troops vary. Some circles assert that it is insignificant, but some Shansi Generals are magnifying the news and declaring that it is due to the troops being unpaid, hoping thus to obtain more funds from Nanking or Mukden.

Other reports declare that the mutiny is serious, and that Feng Yu-hsiang is behind it. Hitherto there is no confirmation of this latter allegation.—*Reuter*.

ST. PATRICK'S BALL.

ENTHUSIASM AT THE PRACTICE DANCES.

At the recent practice dances held in connexion with the forthcoming St. Patrick's Ball, it was apparent from the enthusiasm shown, that the two Old Irish Dances, "The Bridge of Athlone" and "The Sets" will make their inclusion in the dance programme popular. Their lively music and smart style, are sure to be an enjoyable feature in present day Ball programme.

Members and friends who desire to take part in these dances, are cordially invited to attend the next practice which will be held in the Helena May Institute, on Tuesday at 6.15. In addition to the aforementioned, a special tea dance is being arranged on Wednesday, March 11th, at the Peninsula Hotel, commencing at 5 when the Hotel Orchestra will play the specially arranged Irish Music which will be a feature of the Ball. There will be an inclusive charge of \$1 per head.

Owing to the eleventh hour nomination of Mr. C. H. Arnhold, an election will be necessary for the Municipal Council.—*Our Own Correspondent*.

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7.03-7.34 p.m. Variety.

Band-Golden Jubilee (Sousa).

Sousa's Band, 22202.

Humorous Song-Watching My Dreams Go By.

Welcome Lewis, 22297.

Duet-The Sun Is At My Window.

Johnny Marvin and Ed. Smalle, 21866.

Organ Solo-Serenade (Schubert and Crawford).

Jesse Crawford, 21207.

Chorus-My Isle Of Golden Dreams.

National Cavalier, 22347.

Song-Love.

Gloria Swanson (Soprano), 22079.

Humorous Song-Little By Little.

Johnny Marvin, 22076.

Chorus-Autumn Sea.

Associated Glee Clubs of America, 35776.

7.34-8.05 p.m. Operatic.

Travinta-Selections (Verdi).

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Boheme-Ah! Mimi Flare Ona (Puccini).

Beniamino Gigli and Giuseppe de Luca, 8069.

Aida-Gems (Verdi).

Victor Light Opera Company, 35940.

Pagliacci (There Here) (Leoncavallo).

Metropolitan Opera Chorus, 4025.

8.05-9.46 p.m. Orchestral and Band Music.

Schubert's Love Song-Medley (Drei Lieder) (Schubert-Berle).

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n. Aida-Prelude from Orpheus (Gluck).

Prélude In A Major (Chopin).

a. Waltz In A Flat (Brans) b.

Minuet In G (Bach).

Victor Orchestra, 22172.

8.16-9.00 p.m. Hawaiian Music.

Hawaiian Love (Lopes and Hetzel).

Beautiful Gown (Ahalena).

In The Heart Of Hawaii (Parish and Herber).

My Honolulu Dream Girl (Perry).

Hilo Hawaiian Orchestra, 19713 and 19686.

9.00 p.m. Weather Report, Local Time, etc.

9.05-9.30 p.m. Quartet in E Minor (Smetana).

Franzovsky Quartet, 7130, 7131, 7132.

9.30-10.16 p.m. Concert Items.

Violin Solo-The Old Refrain.

(Kreisler).

Violin Solo-Midnight Bells (Heuberger).

Fritz Kreisler, 1465.

Song-The Warbler (Gretry).

Song-Precious Air and Variations (Proch).

Madam Amelita Galli-Curci, 6784.

Piano Solo-Forgotten Waltz (Liszt).

Piano Solo-Capriccio In F Minor (Dohnanyi).

Vladimir Horowitz, 1455.

Song-Serenade (Donnelly and Romberg).

Song-Love Everlasting (Cushing and Firrell).

Richard Crooks (Tenor), 1478.

Violin Solo-Dance of the Marionette (Winternitz).

Violin Solo-Polichinelle Serenade (Kreisler).

Vocal Duet-Marina (Arietta).

Miguel Flota and Emilia Saúl, Barilo, 6606.

10.16-10.30 p.m. Organ Solo.

Gipsy Love (Herbert).

Ah! Sweet Mystery Of Life (Herbert).

Jesse Crawford, 22233.

The Rovny (Neyin).

Ave Maria (Bach and Gounod).

Charles O'Connell, 21216.

10.30 p.m. Close Down.

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Rangoon, Mar. 7.
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Buddhist shrines in the world, was
extensively damaged by a fire
which destroyed several costly
tazzaungs (carved structures with
images to which offerings are
made). The damage is estimated
at several lakhs of rupees.

The pagoda was founded in the
sixth century B.C.—Reuter.

RIVER STEAMERS
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WEST RIVER.

News of a remarkable phenomenon
has been brought into the Colony by
the river steamer San Nam Hoi, which,
whilst proceeding from Kaukong to
Pakkai on Saturday, went through a
most extraordinary experience.

It appears that at about noon on
that day, when the steamer was about
five miles from Pakkai, heavy north-
east squall blew up and the tempera-
ture began to drop. After passing
Plover Island, the weather became
so heavy that the ship had to reduce
speed. It was at this moment that
the officers and crew of the vessel
were amazed to see raining from the
sky, broken lumps of ice and hail
ranging from Albert to walnut size.

For about 15 minutes, the sea
around the ship was churned with
the fall of the ice and hail, which created
such a dia that the master, Capt. Ben-
twood, who was on the bridge, could
not make his Mate hear what he was
saying. On arrival at Pakkai later,
the officers found the wharf all wet
but there was absolutely no sign of
the phenomenon which the ship had,
a few minutes before, experienced.

Chunks of ice were still on the ship
when the San Nam Hoi was berthed
alongside the wharf at Pakkai, but on
inquiries, it was found that the in-
habitants of that town knew nothing
of the occurrence.

It is understood that at the time
slight peals of thunder were heard
by those on board but as far as could
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SEA LORD'S HOPE OF
FRANCO-ITALIAN
AGREEMENT.

London, Mar. 7.
Mr. A. V. Alexander, First Lord
of the Admiralty, speaking at
Lowestoft, expressed the opinion
that the Franco-Italian agreement,
besides stopping competition which
would have endangered the hopes
of real success at the Geneva
conference of 1932, also meant
that in any outstanding political
question between France and
Italy there would be brought to
bear a spirit of conciliation and
goodwill, which would secure such
a change in the orientation of
European powers as would help
toward the establishment of per-
manent European peace, in a
way that a year ago was never
expected.—Reuter.

Details Withheld.

Paris, Mar. 7.

M. Briand has informed the
cabinet that for reasons of high
international policy, details of
the Franco-Italian naval agree-
ment cannot be published for
some days.—Reuter.

FLYING HIGH.

NEW FIGURES FOR WOMEN'S
ALTITUDE RECORD.

Jersey City, Mar. 7.
Miss Ruth Nichols' altimeter re-
corded 30,000 feet in the course of
a flight over Manhattan Island,
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Smith's previous women's altitude
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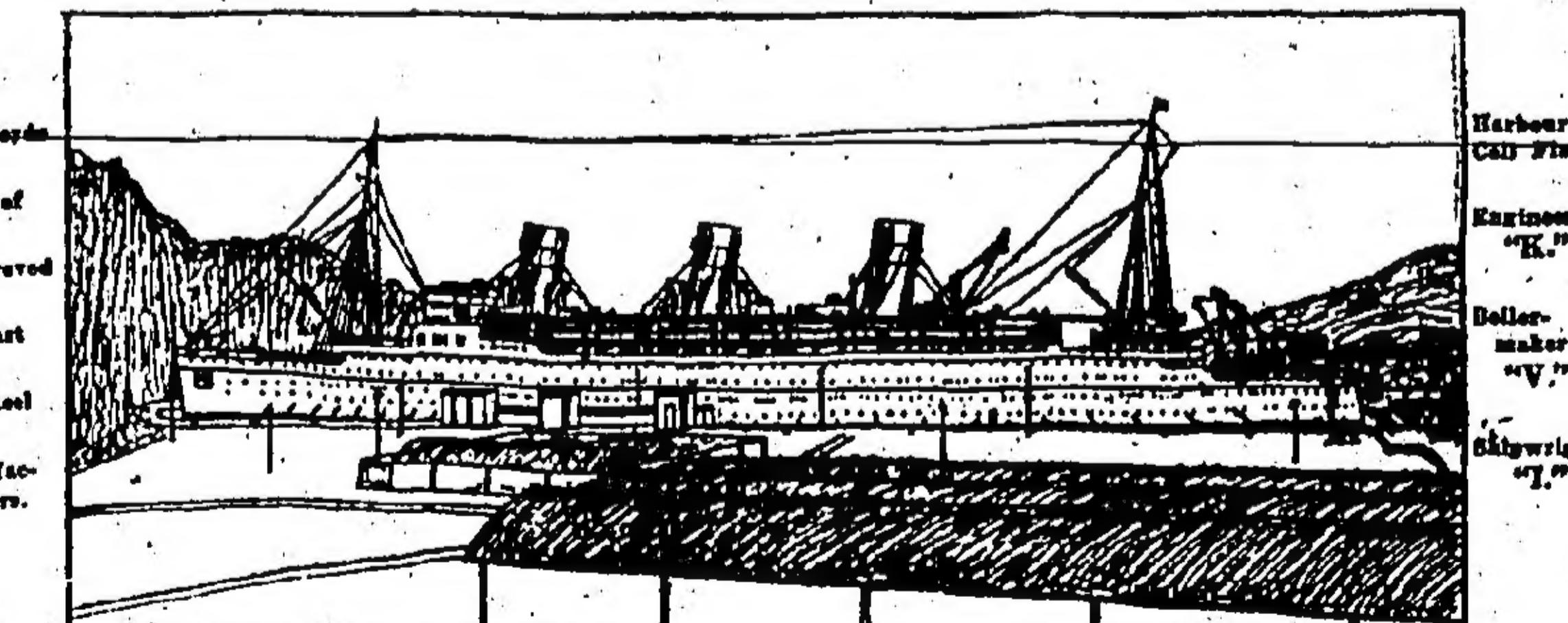
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All claims must be sent to the
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DEATH OF MR. A.
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PASSING OF FORMER
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of the death in England of Mr. A.
Bellamy Brown, a former editor of
the *China Mail*. He passed away
at Edington, Norfolk, in his
61st year, on January 24th last.

The late Mr. Bellamy Brown, who
was a man of marked literary talents,
was for many years engaged

in journalism in Japan, coming later
to Hongkong, which he left in
1911 to take up the editorship of the
Malay Mail in Kuala Lumpur.
His wife, who was a sister of Mr.
J. A. Plummer, of Messrs. Bradley
and Co., Hongkong, passed away
some little time prior to Mr.
Brown's departure from the Colony.
After some years in Malaya, Mr.
Brown received a position with
the Hudson Bay Company in London,
and had resided in England ever since.

He leaves two sons and a daughter,
with whom the utmost sympathy
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TREMENDOUS NEW DAMAGE
IN MAURITIUS.

RAILWAY BLOCKED.

Port Louis, Mar. 8.
A seventy-mile an hour gale, accompanied by torrential rain, the worst hurricane for a period of twenty years, swept over Mauritius on Thursday last week and returned in full blast yesterday.

It came back with extreme violence and wrecked hundreds of homes that had survived the first visitation.

The death-roll revelled up to the present is only ten, but thousands have been rendered homeless.

Huts and trees were swept away. Sugar-cane plantations everywhere were beaten down, and harvesting in many cases will be extremely difficult. Some of the crops have been completely ruined.

Telephones and telegrams are interrupted. The railway is blocked by the floods and landslides.... *Reuters*

AUSTRALIAN SENT
TO PRISON.

(Continued from Page 1.)
the accused had cleared out of the Colony.

Request compiled with.

"A Silly Whim."

In making an explanation, the accused said the whole thing was purely the outcome of a row he had with Mr. Whitta. He had no intention of clearing out of the Colony and though he had booked his passage and left, he was intending to return. It was only when he got to Manila that he realized the enormity of the crime and agreed to waive extradition proceedings.

Accused added that he had a clear record so far and had never got into trouble of any sort. He had served in the Army. He asked that a lenient view be taken as all the goods, which were of no value to him, had been recovered. He had previously made arrangements with Mr. Whitta to go to New Zealand on business.

"It was purely and simply a silly whim executed under the influence of considerable drink and to get my own back on Mr. Whitta."

Deliberately Done.

Mr. Schofield:—Was Mr. Whitta aware of the defendant's intention to leave the Colony?

Mr. Whitta:—Yes, I was. Mr. Schofield:—I am afraid I have to take a serious view, as there seems to have been too much deliberation about the whole matter. I am glad that the property has been recovered, and in view of that fact I am going to impose a smaller sentence than I would otherwise have done. Six weeks' hard labour.

Miss Wong-Tsz-ha, who recently arrived in England, is a graduate of Hongkong University, a journalist of three years' experience in the East, and a speaker of fluent English. In an article in the *Daily Express* she expresses warm admiration of English girls.

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The *Shanghai Sunday Times*, upon making inquiries into the facts of the change over at Amoy and Foochow two weeks ago, was informed in official quarters that part of the foreign majority was only a temporary measure and that when certain matters had been decided upon the service would revert to the Great Northern and Eastern Extension companies.

Referring to the Federal Government's plans for dealing with the country's finances, the *Herald* (Canberra) correspondent says it may be stated that there is no possibility of the cancellation of Australia's war debt to Great Britain, but it is understood that the Commonwealth Government is hopeful of obtaining relief by means of a modification of the present terms of payment. *Reuters*

LABOUR SLUMP AT
EAST SYDNEY.

"HERALD" FORECASTS END
OF INFLUENCE.

WAR DEBT QUESTION.

Sydney, Mar. 8.
The final figures in the East Sydney by-election were announced this evening as follows:

Ward (Labour) 19,975

Courtenay (Nat.) 16,333

Mountjoy (Communist) 611

Labour Maj. 3,642

The falling off in the Labour poll was, therefore, even worse than the early estimates. The majority compares with one of 13,000 at the last election, and 10,000 were cut away in spite of the fact that every one of Mr. Lang's cabinet addressed the constituent on Mr. Ward's behalf.

The *Herald*, in an editorial commenting upon the result, points at the East Sydney as being a Labour stronghold for the last twenty years. The fall of the Labour majority to 3,600 means that a few more such victories and Labour, Federal and State, will be well-nigh destroyed."

Referring to the Federal Government's plans for dealing with the country's finances, the *Herald* (Canberra) correspondent says it may be stated that there is no possibility of the cancellation of Australia's war debt to Great Britain, but it is understood that the Commonwealth Government is hopeful of obtaining relief by means of a modification of the present terms of payment. *Reuters*

STABILISATION OF
SILVER UNLIKELY.

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ounces, while France put at least 23,000,000 into the market. Singapore exported defendant coins representing 18,000,000 fine ounces.

Hongkong Purchases.

Hongkong absorbed approximately 25,000,000 ounces during the year, about 10,000,000 being purchased in London and Bombay for mintage in the first four months of the year, while a direct purchase of 15,000,000 ounces from the Government of India was made in August, the news causing bear selling both from India and from China.

The slump in the price from 21 1/2 d. in January to 14 1/2 d. in December is the subject of a month to month commentary, and the general conclusion is that the demoralization of the Shanghai market contributed largely to the collapse.

Indian Government Selling.

Quotations are made from a speech by Sir George Schuster, giving assurances that the Indian Government, while holding stocks that should be realised in the public interest, will not go to the market unless they are advised that, as in the past, the market will not be appreciably affected by their operations.

Inform the public that in deference to the Chinese Telegraph authorities' wishes, it has been obliged for the time being to close its handling-in and delivery offices at Amoy and Kulangsu. A notice couched in similar terms, it was stated, was posted at the other company's Foochow office.

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